### VA Benefits and Services for Ex-Prisoners of War



Several new presumptive disabilities have recently been added for former Prisoners of War (Ex-POW). If you are an Ex-POW and have one of these designated conditions, you are eligible to be rated for these new service-connected conditions. There is an advantage to you and your spouse even if you are already 100% service-connected.

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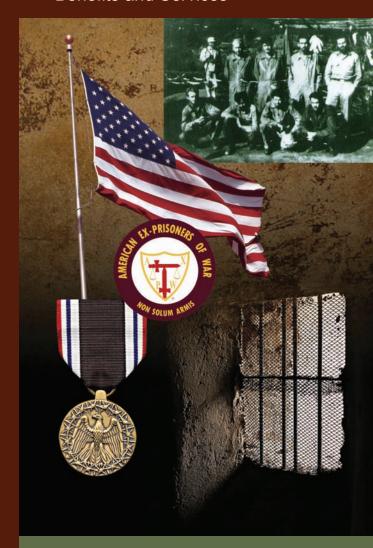
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### **Ex-POW**

Benefits and Services



**Presumptive Disabilities & Conditions** 



#### No Length of Internment Requirement

**Psychosis** 

Any anxiety states including

Post Traumatic Stress Disorder

Dysthymic disorder including

depressive neurosis

Cold injury with documented exposure

Post-traumatic osteoarthritis

Atherosclerotic heart disease

Hypertensive vascular disease

Stroke

Osteoporosis with Post Traumatic

Stress Disorder

#### **Internment 30 Days or Greater**

A vitaminosis

Beriberi and beriberi heart

Chronic dysentery

Helminthiasis

Malnutrition and optic atrophy

Pellagra and any other nutritional deficiency

Irritable bowel syndrome

Peptic ulcer disease

Peripheral neuropathy except where directly

related to infectious causes

Cirrhosis of the liver

Osteoporosis

Eligible for all service-connected (SC) disability compensation as other Veterans.

Eligible for Ex-POW Presumptive Disabilities service-connected disability compensation.



Paid in addition to disability compensation to a Veteran who has service-connected loss or loss of use of specific organs or extremities.

Considered if a Veteran is 100% serviceconnected and is housebound, bedridden, or requires the aid and attendance of another person.

# Dependency and Indemnity Compensation

Payable to the surviving spouse (and children in some cases) of an Ex-POW:

- Who dies from a service-connected disability
- Was continuously rated 100% serviceconnected for at least one year immediately preceding death

# **Special Benefits for Surviving Spouse Aid and Attendance**

Spouse may be eligible for Housebound or Aid and Attendance if daily living assistance is needed.